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Brown comes out fighting

Mayor's race. Coun. Matt Brown pledges to fix 'broken' politics



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The councillor who wants to unseat London Mayor Joe Fontana came out fighting as he launched his campaign Thursday night.

"Municipal politics in London is broken," Coun. Matt Brown told more than 300 people at Aeolian Hall.

And "a lack of leadership and a flawed process" has left city hall trapped in "endless deliberation and poor decision-making," Brown told the capacity crowd, promising to unite the city and the next council if he's elected mayor.

He had three key terms for his followers: Integrity. Honesty. Hard work. And, after scandals plaguing the mayor and bitter arguments filling the council chamber, Brown is demanding change.

"It should be a given that elected officials have integrity, that elected officials follow the rules and that elected officials model good behaviour that makes us confident, that makes us proud, that makes us hopeful, and that sets a good example for our children," said the Ward 7 councillor. "As a husband and father, as a teacher, a city councillor and a proud volunteer in this community, these are principles that I live by."

Brown promised to "re-



London mayoral hopeful Matt Brown, a sitting city councillor, launches his campaign Thursday at Aeolian Hall. MIKE DONACHIE/METRO

store confidence" in city council and to engage Londoners, showing why people should care about municipal politics. Brown said the "sacred trust" of the people "has been compromised by so many negative stories, by so many scandals and so many mis-starts."

Brown, seen as the mediator, the nice guy on city council, may have talked tougher than before, but he was careful in his tone. He didn't lay blame. He didn't even say the word "Fontana." He repeatedly

referred to "the incumbent."

The big question, of course, is, "Who is Matt Brown?"

That's what a lot of Londoners are asking, and Brown didn't disagree that he needs better recognition among voters. Asked about it, he replied: "I can guarantee that, if they don't know me today, they'll know me on election day."

But what about policies?

He mentioned the issues you might expect, talking of city council priorities like better transit; arts and culture

opportunities; revitalization of the downtown core; and, of course, jobs.

But Brown also committed to what he called "a better business action plan."

It's designed to help people establish or grow businesses in London. It wasn't clear how his plans will differ from the existing city council programs led by organizations like the London Economic Development Corp., but one big aim is to attract and retain talented people.

Four pledges

Remember these ideas, because Coun. Matt Brown will return to them between now and the Oct. 27 municipal elections. His four priorities are:

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City towers cause concern for birds, councillor says

Talbot and Fullarton.
High-rise plan sparks suggestion for planning guidelines



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Look! Up in the sky! Is it a bird? Well, yes.

London's high-rise buildings are causing concern at city hall, with one councillor calling for action to protect birdlife.

Coun. Judy Bryant has written to the planning and environment committee asking for guidelines to be drawn up so that migrating birds can be protected.

The councillor, whose ward covers downtown, turned her mind to the subject during discussions about Rygar Corp.'s planned 33-storey tower at Talbot and Fullarton streets.

If it's approved, it will take over from One London Place as the city's tallest building.

"Quite a long time ago,

when I lived in Toronto, I realized there were people going around early in the morning picking up birds," said Bryant.

"It was a team of people. Most of the birds, of course, were dead."

She said it was a "wake-up" for her, to realize that tall buildings could be so disastrous for birds, and her mind returned to the subject when considering Rygar's \$80-million plans, which involve 250 apartments, plus offices, stores and parking.

Bryant asked Spencer Sandor, a councillor assistant, to research the dangers, and his report will be presented to the committee's meeting on Monday.

He says that a count in downtown Toronto, carried out in 2000 by volunteers, showed more than 37,000 birds died as a result of flying into windows at night.

Research by Toronto's Fatal Light Awareness Program suggests that high buildings with large amounts of light pollution are contributing to bird deaths, Sandor says.

At a glance

- Research put to a city hall committee on behalf of Coun. Judy Bryant includes various suggestions to stop birds flying into windows of high buildings.
- They include markers (like decorative grilles) on windows, cutting light pollution and using

awnings.

- Workers at some of London's tallest buildings say there isn't a huge problem with birds running into them, with a staff member at One London Place saying birds hit the building "once in a blue moon."



One of the TD bank towers, officially known as City Centre Tower North at Wellington and Dundas streets, is among the tallest buildings in London. MIKE DONACHIE/METRO

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Toyota. Plans to unionize plants in Woodstock and Cambridge hit road bump

Unifor announced Thursday that it's withdrawing an application to the Ontario Labour Relations Board after underestimating the number of workers at the plants.

The union had previously said it was confident it had the 40 per cent of employees needed on board. That changed when Toyota filed papers with the government showing it has about 7,500 employees eligible to sign union cards as opposed to the nearly 6,600 Unifor had estimated.

"That is an interesting number because Toyota's production decreased three per cent in 2013 and is forecast to have lower volumes in 2014," Unifor national president said Jerry Dias said. "We would be

surprised if under such circumstances Toyota had hired upwards of 1,000 people.

"If Toyota is hiring, that's wonderful. But it would be unusual, so we are going to look at that list carefully."

Unifor had planned for a unionization vote next week. Instead, the new plan is to take time to get more union cards signed and move forward, Dias said.

The Woodstock and Cambridge plants would be the first Toyota plants in North America to become unionized.

Top concerns for Toyota workers include wages, pensions and workplace issues, the union has said.

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Ontario deficit. Province blames sluggish economy for not meeting targets

Ontario's deficit has narrowed to \$11.3 billion for the year that just ended, about three per cent less than predicted in the 2013 budget, but the province may not be able to meet its target this year, Finance Minister Charles Sousa said Thursday.

A sluggish economy and smaller transfer payments from Ottawa means there won't be as much money in provincial coffers, he said. Revenue will be \$3.5 billion lower in the current fiscal year, which started April 1, than was forecast last year.

"Our economy is growing more slowly than anticipated and less than experts expected," Sousa said during a lunch speech to the Canadian

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"What we do is we adjust as necessary."

Charles Sousa, Ontario Finance Minister on managing the budget in a slow economy

Club of Toronto. "Revenues are not only significantly lower than forecasted in 2010, they're even lower than we expected just last year."

Sousa said the government still plans to balance the books in 2017-18, but their road map may change. The budget could trigger an election if the minority Liberals fail to win the support of one of the opposition parties.

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London doctor's role in terror talk disputed

Khurram Sher. Defense argues that Sher didn't take the conversation seriously and was simply playing along



JOE LOFARO
Metro in Ottawa

Closing arguments in the Khurram Sher terrorism trial had lawyers on each side either portraying the accused doctor on Thursday as "an active participant" in an al-Qaida-inspired conspiracy or a friend "playing along" with a sarcastic discussion on Middle Eastern geopolitical issues.

Sher, 31, has pleaded not guilty to conspiring to facilitate terrorist activity. The London pathologist was nabbed by the RCMP in August 2010 after the force's national security team spied on him and two alleged co-conspirators.

The doctor's lawyer, Michael Edelson, told Justice Charles Hackland that the accused was "stringing these guys along" when he met them for dinner in an Ottawa apartment on July 20, 2010. The RCMP secretly probed that 70-minute conversation after

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"He didn't buy in. He didn't join. There was never an actual objective that he agreed to that was illegal."

Michael Edelson, lawyer for Khurram Sher, who is accused of conspiring to facilitate terrorist activity



London doctor Khurram Syed Sher, right, is on trial in Ottawa. He's pictured here with his lawyer, Michael Edelson.
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having tracked the other two men for several months.

It is the Crown's theory that on that night the trio were brainstorming an attack on Canadian soil in support of jihad.

"He didn't buy in. He didn't join," argued Edelson. "There was never an actual objective that he agreed to that was illegal."

The defence described the dinner meeting as playful banter between three guys who weren't taking the discussion very seriously. Edelson pointed to the fact that the au-

dio recording played in court appeared to show they used a vacuum to suck up names written on scraps of paper in order to decide who would be the group's leader.

But Crown prosecutor Jason Wakely characterized the discussion as anything but light-hearted.

"They're raising money to send to the Mujahideen. They have the bomb components," said Wakely. "They are actually executing this offence in several ways."

Hackland suggested there ought to have been specific de-

tails laid out for there to be a conspiracy created on July 20. But Wakely said the crime had been agreed to once they had reached an agreement on an overarching goal of "facilitating violent jihad."

Sher testified earlier that the whole discussion descended into "a farce" and he didn't take it very seriously.

"No reasonable person would emerge from that conversation and just discount it," said Wakely. "How could you not call the police?"

The Crown will continue closing arguments Friday.

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Tabletop games.

Stores and enthusiasts unite to celebrate special day



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Put down the electronic game and get crawling around London.

That's the message from a bunch of gaming enthusiasts who are offering a day of different entertainment this Saturday.

It's the first London Game Crawl, a celebration of board games and all the fun they bring.

It's also London's contribution to International Tabletop Day, which last year saw more than 3,000 game events in 64 countries.

"For kids and parents, these games are an activity that gets them off screens,



Ready to roll: Chris McInnis with some of the giant dice he's made for the event on Saturday. MIKE DONACHIE/METRO

doing something together," said Chris McInnis, who owns Über Cool Stuff, a downtown store with games and more.

"That's a huge part of it. A

lot of people are really happy to have something to do together.

"It brings out every fun element of socializing. We get

to argue and bluff and try to trick people and share accomplishments."

The game crawl is open to everyone, and the five par-

ticipating venues are offering games that include Carcassonne, Tsuro, Terra Mystica, Glass Road and more.

"Each place will be show-

casing different games," McInnis said. "You don't need to register. You can just show up at any of the spots at any time of the day."

Where to go

- Über Cool Stuff (122 Dundas St.): 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- London Central Library (251 Dundas St.): 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Western Fair Farmers Market (900 King St. E.): 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- L.A. Mood (350 Richmond St.): 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Game Chamber (1700 Dundas St.): 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Drop into any venue for games, demos and prizes. Each has different attractions.

Fanshawe denies swastika resemblance in new logo

Fanshawe College remains proud of the new logo it introduced this week in the face of accusations from a national Jewish leader that it too closely resembles a swastika.

Reports surfaced Thursday that B'nai Brith Canada believes the logo, labelled NorthStar by the college, looks like the infamous Nazi symbol.

In London, some have tweeted a similar take.

In red to match the Canadian flag, the logo features four "F's" meant to represent the four counties where Fanshawe has a presence. The letters are in a formation designers

Quoted

"You can't control what other people see in stuff. What we saw ... was a star."

Tony Frost, director of reputation and brand management at Fanshawe College

modelled after the North Star.

A statement issued from the college as the logo was unveiled Wednesday called it "a visual and symbolic link to the star famous for helping generations of travellers find their way."

Just a day later, Fanshawe's director of reputation and brand management said he was surprised to hear of the B'nai Brith reaction.

While sympathetic to the organization's concerns, Tony Frost said he — and many other people involved in its design — doesn't see the resemblance.

"You know the Rorschach ink blot test," he said "You see stuff and everybody sees differ-



Fanshawe College's new logo is facing criticism from some. CONTRIBUTED

ent things.

"That's just not what we see, and I have to tell you we extensively tested this logo. Over 2,500 people — students, alumni, staff — looked at it and they loved it."

Asked if plans to reach out to Jewish leaders in the city or nationally, Frost said he would have to read the full text of the comments made by B'nai Brith before taking such a step.

SCOTT TAYLOR/METRO

Breaching conditions. Police standoff on Baseline ends peacefully

A five-hour standoff on Baseline Road near Commissioners Road ended without injury Thursday afternoon after police forced their way into a seventh-storey apartment where a woman had barricaded herself.

It's believed police were alerted to the woman when she threatened to jump from the apartment balcony Thursday morning.

London police spokesman Const. Ken Steeves would only say that officers went to

the address because they had a reason to be concerned for the woman's wellbeing and because she was wanted for breaching conditions of being released from custody.

The woman had previously been charged with assault, assault with a weapon, mischief and injuring a dog.

In Thursday's incident, police entered the apartment and arrested the woman without incident at about 2:30 p.m. after obtaining a warrant. **METRO**

Nature's first green is gold

Conservation authority getting ready for Earth Day

The Upper Thames River Conservation Authority is already planning its agenda for Earth Day on April 27.

The authority plans to plant 1,500 trees and shrubs to help protect the Thames

River during an event from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Watson Street Park.

People will have a chance to get in on the planting, take in demonstrations from the Canadian Raptor Conservancy and help build a giant piece of Earth Day-inspired art from natural items like twigs and leaves.

Check out thamesriver.on.ca for details about upcoming planting events. **METRO**

Popular opinion

According to Fanshawe College: "In an online survey, NorthStar was preferred two-to-one over all other concepts, with survey respondents describing it as bold, innovative and distinctive."

Gas plant scandal. Hard drive snag could silence Conservative suspicions

Computer experts cannot determine when 20 of 24 computer hard drives in the Ontario premier's office were accessed with a special password that could have allowed files to be erased, an OPP detective told a legislative committee Thursday.

Police seized 24 hard drives removed from the premier's office as part of their investigation into the destruction of documents related to the Liberal government's cancellation of two gas plants at a cost of up to \$1.1 billion.

But asked when they were accessed, Det. Const. Andre

Duval of the OPP's anti-rackets branch said they have not been able to determine that information for 20 of them.

The dates are key to a Progressive Conservative accusation that Premier Kathleen Wynne could have overseen the destruction of gas plant documents, an accusation she denies.

The OPP request for a search warrant said the password, allegedly provided to an outside tech expert by former premier Dalton McGuinty's chief of staff, was active from Feb. 6 to March 20, 2013, and Wynne was officially sworn-in as premier Feb. 11.

The Conservatives said Wynne cannot claim computer tampering was all done under McGuinty's watch when investigators still can't determine when 20 of the hard drives were accessed.

"We did learn today that it is possible that those computers were accessed up until March 20, six weeks into her mandate," said PC energy critic Lisa MacLeod.

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Wynne involved?

"I know the detective who was there made it clear that my office is not under investigation, that the investigation centred on the former premier's office ..."

Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne

Vodka coup. NDP push for Russian booze ban after Crimean takeover

Ontario's NDP wants the province's government-run liquor stores to suspend sales of Russian Standard vodka due to the international crisis in Ukraine.

New Democrat Cheri DiNovo tabled a motion Thursday in response to Russia's seizure of Crimea. Finance Minister Charles Sousa says he'll consider it.

Saskatchewan had looked at the idea, but nixed it last week with Premier Brad Wall saying stores also carry a brand

of Ukrainian vodka and customers can make their own choice on what they want to buy.

Ontario is home to one of the world's largest Ukrainian communities outside of Ukraine, with almost 350,000 people, according to the government.

It cancelled a planned trade meeting in Moscow last week because of the crisis in Ukraine, officials said.

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St. Thomas. Animal shelter fundraising event includes cat and dog microchipping

The St. Thomas animal shelter is having a Saturday fundraiser with a dual goal.

People can have their cats and dogs microchipped for a cost of \$40 per animal with proceeds going towards a non-profit trap, neuter and return program for feral cats.

The program helps reduce

the number of stray cats on city streets and having a pet microchipped means it's more likely to find its way back into your home after going missing.

Cats can be microchipped from 10 a.m. to noon and dogs from noon to 2 p.m. The fundraiser is at the shelter (100 Burwell Rd.). METRO



As part of the new program offered through El Sistema Aeolian, kids who've learned to play an instrument will be mentoring adults who are just getting their feet wet. CONTRIBUTED

El Sistema expansion music to adults' ears

Music lessons.

Program has been 'inundated' since offering drop-in class



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The Aeolian Hall's El Sistema program has been such a hit for kids that it's now being expanded to include adults who want to learn to play a musical instrument.

El Sistema Aeolian is an after-school program that offers learning opportunities to at-risk children through the study of music.

Instructors and instruments are provided, while music, life and social skills are learned.

Aeolian Hall executive director Clark Bryan said some of the adults that have helped out with the program wanted to have lessons when they were kids but never had the chance.

Hence, the new program.

"One of our teachers last year took some time after every class to help some room mon-

Get involved

To learn about the program or to apply, email elsistema@aeolianhall.ca or call 519-672-7950.

itors learn how to play so they could help the kids a little bit more," he said. "So I wondered if we created an opportunity for people to have this on a regular basis, what would happen."

Interest from the volunteers in the program was immediate, Bryan said.

"Then we decided it might be interesting to expand this outside for a nominal drop-in fee of \$5, and we've just been inundated."

"I'm pretty sure there aren't any more cellos to rent in the city," Bryan said with a laugh. "Everyone wants to play the cello."

The program will allow adults at different stages of development to play together.

"There's a really big difference between having a private lesson and being in a group situation," he said.

The first class is Saturday.

Female fighter plans self-defence course

One of the city's leaders in fitness and mixed martial arts has scheduled a women-only self-defence class at her gym April 19 from noon to 2 p.m.

Emma O'Connor, owner of Femme Force Fitness (71 William St.) said too many women feel unsafe and vulnerable when alone in certain scenarios.

That's why she and former

MMA rival Bobbi Jo Dalziel have organized the mini training camp to teach women not only the basics physically, but also mentally.

"I know what it feels like to be scared and to be attacked, to be in situations in which you don't feel comfortable," she said. "Every woman deserves to feel safe. If we can help you walk away having

learned something, that'll be great."

O'Connor and Dalziel will be explaining rape culture and situational awareness, while giving participants the opportunity to learn the basics of self-defence and hand-to-hand combat for all ages and abilities.

Cost is \$25, cash only.

Proceeds from the event

will go to the London Abused Women's Centre. A member of the centre will also be on hand.

Call the gym at 519-601-1619 for information or to register. Almost all forms of comfortable clothing will be appropriate, but O'Connor said to make sure there are no exposed zippers and buttons.

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Halifax. Pizza theft has happy, cheesy ending

This is a feel-good story that's truly, deliciously, cheesy.

A Dartmouth, N.S., woman recovering at a Halifax hospital from surgery to treat Crohn's disease is awash in gratitude this week after some deep-dish acts of kindness.

"It restores your faith a little bit in humanity," said Jessica Wilson, 24.

Wilson has been on a mostly liquid diet over the last month, and had a procedure this week requiring a 24-hour fast.

She awoke Tuesday eagerly looking forward to solid food in the form of a Hawaiian pizza she had stowed — marked with her name — in her floor's communal fridge the night before.

But the pizza was gone, the empty box crumpled in the garbage can.

"When you're sick and you've been in hospital for a month, the smallest thing seems so big," said Wilson. "So for me, it was earth-shattering."



Jessica Wilson shows off her donated pizza. CONTRIBUTED

Nearly choking on disappointment, Wilson took to Facebook to rant.

Sympathetic friends took up her cause and by the end of Tuesday, two large pizzas had been delivered, anonymously, to her floor and the owner of local restaurant Morris East personally delivered a large Hawaiian party pizza.

RUTH DAVENPORT/METRO IN HALIFAX

Digital strategy. Gov't set to unveil new framework

Ottawa is set to unveil its long-awaited national digital strategy.

Industry Minister James Moore, in a video clip posted on YouTube and the pm.gc.ca website, said the policy framework "is going to prepare this country for the next generation of opportunities in the digital world."

Called Digital Canada 150, he said the framework will be unveiled at an event in Waterloo Friday.

Observers say the framework could add details on how the Conservative government can meet its target of "near-universal" broadband access within five years. The February budget included \$350 million

for extending broadband to rural and remote areas.

It may also discuss how Ottawa will earmark the nearly \$5.3 billion in proceeds from its recent auction of wireless spectrum licences.

Moore said the digital strategy will focus on economic issues and measures to expand Canadian cultural content. "I'm talking about a digital strategy which includes the economic aspects but it will be broad based, it will be substantive."

The promise of a digital strategy has been long-standing, with two of Moore's successors promising action but a policy has yet to be delivered.

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Crass politics?

Harper unveils victims' rights bill

Crime victims would have more say as their cases wind their way through the justice system under a new Conservative government bill that veteran lawyers immediately denounced as crass politics.

The long-awaited legislation, part of the government's ongoing law-and-order theme, aims to fix what Prime Minister Stephen Harper said Thursday was a broken part of the system.

"The rights of criminals have received far more attention than the rights of their victims," Harper said at a seniors' centre.

The proposed law — similar to one passed in Ontario almost 20 years ago — would ensure victims are given information about cases in which they are involved, such as a copy of a bail or probation order, or details of a criminal's parole.

Several defence lawyers branded the legislation as a calculated political play that victims of crime had fallen for. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Leah Parsons, mother of the late Rehtaeh Parsons, sat down with Metro to reflect on the past year since her daughter's suicide. JEFF HARPER/METRO

'She resonates with other people'

One year later. Leah Parsons says she takes comfort in the fact that Rehtaeh's story has helped others

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"She was brave enough to speak out and she stood her ground ... and I just feel I have to continue on with that message."

Leah Parsons



HALEY RYAN
Metro in Halifax

A tattoo on Leah Parsons' shoulder is partially covered by her shirt until she lifts the sleeve, revealing a portrait of her daughter Rehtaeh in black ink alongside small crows.

Parsons said she got the tattoo last May to honour her daughter, who had gotten one of a feather with crows flying out of it "like a rebirth" on her 16th birthday.

"It was kind of a way for her to take back her body," Parsons said.

It's been a year since Rehtaeh died on April 7 after attempting to take her own

life, which her mother says was due to months of bullying after a photo of her alleged rape was spread around school.

A walk in her memory is planned for Saturday afternoon, which Parsons said has the double importance of bringing awareness to rape culture.

"It's a worldwide thing," Parsons said. "She resonates with other people because they know how easily it could be their child."

Parsons especially hopes teenagers will come and listen to the messages of respect, and not victimizing others.

"Don't stand around and do nothing. You've got to

speak up. If you're saying something negative about a female ... you've got to make it socially unacceptable, that it's not cool."

Rehtaeh's story led to multiple reviews and new legislation around sharing intimate photos. Parsons said the important thing is she brought up issues "that needed to be talked about."

Parsons says she finds strength in the messages pouring in from people around the world about how Rehtaeh changed their lives.

One woman said a tattoo of Rehtaeh on her wrist is a reminder to stop harming herself. Many have said she gave them strength to talk about their own rape.



Rehtaeh Parsons CONTRIBUTED

"It's what keeps me going," Parsons said. "It's very therapeutic to receive those types of messages, and it just tells me she mattered and she matters to people."

Parsons said her speaking out about her daughter's story is "not going to change anytime soon" but she does take time to be alone and process her feelings.

"I'm just trying to honour what comes up for me ... I listen to what I need," Parsons said quietly.

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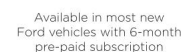
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Ukraine. Ousted president accused of using snipers, thugs to squash opposition

Ukraine's interim authorities accused the country's ousted president of ordering snipers to open fire on protesters and getting help from Russian security agents to battle his own people — but their report Thursday provided no evidence directly linking him to the bloodbath in Kyiv.

Acting Interior Minister Arsen Avakov also charged that his predecessor employed gangs of killers, kidnappers and thugs to terrorize and undermine the opposition during Ukraine's tumultuous winter of discontent.

The preliminary findings revealed by Kyiv's new leadership examined the months of anti-government protests that culminated in the deaths in February of over 100 people in Kyiv,



Former Ukrainian president Viktor Yanukovich THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

mostly protesters. That violence forced a truce between the opposition and the government, but the arrangement quickly collapsed and President Viktor Yanukovich fled to Russia.

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Fort Hood. Gunman may have argued with fellow soldiers before rampage

The soldier who killed three people at Fort Hood may have argued with another service member shortly before the attack at the Texas military base, and investigators believe his unstable mental health contributed to the rampage, authorities said Thursday.

The base's senior officer, Lt. Gen. Mark Milley, said there is a "strong possibility" that Spc. Ivan Lopez had a "verbal altercation" with another soldier or soldiers immediately before Wednesday's shooting. However, there's no indication that he targeted specific soldiers, Milley said.

Lopez never saw combat

during a deployment to Iraq and had shown no apparent risk of violence before the shooting, officials said.

The 34-year-old truck driver seemed to have a clean record that showed no ties to extremist groups. But Army Secretary John McHugh promised that investigators believe he kept all avenues open in their inquiry of the soldier whose rampage ended only after he fired a final bullet into his own head.

A hospital official expressed optimism Thursday that all of the 16 people who were wounded in the shooting would survive.

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Syria

Chemical weapons could be destroyed on schedule

Diplomats say the head of the mission charged with destroying Syria's chemical weapons is telling the UN Security Council that Syria can still meet the April 27 deadline to remove all chemical agents from the country, but it is becoming increasingly challenging.

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Immigrants

Hunger strikers put in solitary as revenge: Activists

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement has retaliated against about 20 immigrant hunger strikers and supporters at a Washington state detention facility by putting them in solitary confinement, activists said Thursday, and two legal groups sued to halt the practice.

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African migrants try to storm Spanish enclave in Morocco

Spanish officers stand guard as sub-Saharan migrants sit on top of a metallic fence that divides Morocco and the Spanish enclave of Melilla on Thursday. Spanish and Moroccan police have thwarted a fresh attempt by dozens of African migrants to try to scale border fences to enter the enclave. Thousands of sub-Saharan migrants seeking a better life in Europe are living illegally in Morocco and regularly try to enter Melilla in the hope of later making it to mainland Spain. SANTI PALACIOS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Crack video led to fears of retribution by Ford

Project Brazen 2.

Wiretap shows locals worried they'd 'feel the heat' from T.O. mayor, who feels vindicated by investigation standstill

Quoted

"To be fair, Rob Ford — I told you guys — is a big f---ing idiot."

Elena Basso, who lives in the Toronto-area house at the centre of the Rob Ford crack scandal, in a phone conversation recorded by police

A woman living in a suspected crack house where she suggested the Rob Ford crack video was filmed complained the Toronto mayor's "people" were stopping by every day following media reports about the video, police allege.

Elena Basso is heard on a wiretapped conversation with an alleged gang member saying Ford has "got power" and "it doesn't matter who's right or wrong ... we're going to feel the heat everywhere," police allege.

Police summaries of the wiretaps made as part of Project Traveller — a gang, drugs and weapons investigation — are among information ordered released to the public Thursday by an Ontario Superior Court judge.

Ford declared Thursday that he had been "cleared" after the

provincial police force, which was tapped last month to oversee a Toronto police probe of the mayor's activities, said it was no longer involved.

That probe, dubbed Project Brazen 2, was sparked by media reports about a cellphone video on which Ford appears to smoke crack cocaine.

But at that time the Project Traveller investigation was already well underway, including wiretaps, which allegedly captured conversations about the video.

One of those conversations, police say in the documents, was between alleged gang member Liban Siyad — who would later be arrested in Project Traveller — and Basso, whose home police allege is a "frequent hangout for crack cocaine users."

According to the documents, Siyad tells Basso he had nothing to do with the video

and both talk about "G" being responsible for it. Police believe "G" is Mohamed Siad, who was also ultimately arrested in Project Traveller.

If Siyad had the video, he would bring it to Basso "directly to give to Rob," police allege he said in a May 20 conversation.

"The f---ing goof did it at my house," police allege Basso said. "I got Rob's f---ing people and cops coming here every f---ing day."

The "whole area" is going to "go down" because of "G," and "G" screwed up her business, Siyad's business and everybody's business, police allege Basso said.

Siyad wanted Basso to tell Ford he didn't have the video and Basso assured him she knows that, police allege.

"To be fair, Rob Ford — I told you guys — is a big f---ing idiot," police allege Basso said.

The OPP said Thursday that

More Ford

Restaurant owner George Foulidis is arguing an Ontario judge was wrong to dismiss a defamation lawsuit against Rob Ford as he takes the case to Ontario's highest court.

- Foulidis sued Ford over comments he made suggesting a deal between Foulidis's company and the city was corrupt. The lawsuit was dismissed in December 2012.

"all the matters are currently before the courts" and there is no new information or evidence that needs to be followed up on. Ford took the news to mean he was cleared.

"I just knew all along, I didn't miss a day of work, I just kept coming in because I know I did nothing wrong," the mayor said at city hall.

A Toronto police spokesman said Thursday the probe is not over, adding that the latest batch of released documents was a sign of the ongoing nature of the investigation.

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Social network created to cause dissent

Cuban Twitter. The project strived to build an audience and push them toward dissent

The U.S. government masterminded the creation of a "Cuban Twitter" — a communications network designed to undermine the communist

government in Cuba, built with secret shell companies and financed through foreign banks, The Associated Press has learned.

Project "ZunZuneo" lasted more than two years and drew 40,000-plus subscribers. First, the network would build a Cuban audience, mostly young people; then, the plan was to push them to dissent. It's unclear whether the scheme

was legal under U.S. law. Rajiv Shah, administrator for the U.S. Agency for International Development, said it was not a covert program, which requires written authorization of the president and congressional notification, though "parts of it were done discreetly."

The project began in 2009 after Washington-based Creative Associates International obtained a half-million Cu-

ban cellphone numbers. Project organizers used those numbers to start a subscriber base. USAID and its contractors set up front companies in Spain and the Cayman Islands to hide the money trail.

Organizers worked hard to create a legitimate-looking network and companion site so users could subscribe and send their own text messages.

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Students look for an Internet signal in Havana. USAID masterminded the creation of a "Cuban Twitter." RAMON ESPINOSA/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



British teen stuck in a rut

Sixteen-year-old Ella Birchenough tried to squeeze down a drain to fetch her phone in Dover, England. She became stuck in front of a group of amused onlookers and was later rescued by firefighters, according to a witness. TIM RICHARDS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Lincoln County. Mickey the Lobster tragically dies far from home

The Lincoln County Humane Society in St. Catharines sent out a tweet Thursday saying a lobster found abandoned in a box in a restaurant parking lot has died.

The crustacean — dubbed Mickey the Lobster — was discovered Wednesday in a parking lot.

The humane society's executive director Kevin Strooband had said the investigation was ongoing, but suspected that the lobster was left there as a prank on April Fools' Day.



Mickey the Lobster.
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The shelter had been planning to send Mickey back to the Maritimes, but those hopes are dashed. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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ARE YOU A TARGET?

And if so, what to do.

Hackers and privacy thieves may sometimes come to us in ways we don't expect; here are a few examples that might surprise you



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After taking the normal precautions to protect our privacy and digital belongings — measures such as making strong passwords, using firewalls and anti-virus software, keeping computers and other equipment updated and using a VPN at public Wi-Fi sites — people have to weigh how much further they have to go to stay safe.

"We all have to figure out whether or not we're likely to be a target," says Scott Wright, a computer security expert who has worked in the field for more than a decade and uses his powers of hacking for good and not for evil.

"If you are not a target, you take the risk, like you take the risk of driving down the street and not getting into an accident."

But it's often not as easy a question to answer as most people think it is.

Inside job

"When it comes to security in businesses, the person who is going to have the easiest time of things is the person inside your company."

Leigh Honeywell, computer security researcher, who says companies need to be really careful about who they hire

Are you rich? No. Is your boss?

While an individual of modest means might be less likely to be a target for hackers, their employers might be, says Wright.

"Sometimes hackers use people as stepping stones," he says. Important intellectual property or fat lines of credit can be very attractive targets for hackers.

who is going to have the easiest time of things is the person inside your company," says computer security researcher Leigh Honeywell.

"People call it the insider threat.

"And that's where having good hiring practices, having good internal security, paying attention that you are hiring good people — that's what makes the difference there."

She adds that companies should also have layers of checks and balances in place so that if someone does go rogue they can be de-

an expensive prospect for an individual. Home research, trusted friends with computer know-how and common sense are what most people have to rely on.

When your computer is out to get you

Even technology

can pose threats to privacy all by itself, she says, pointing to an incident that happened when Google launched

its now defunct Buzz social networking platform. Buzz would automatically "friend" all of the people in its user's email contacts — a feature that looked more like a bug for one woman when Buzz friended her abusive ex.

"Anything you post on a website you should consider to be eventually public even though your privacy settings may control who can access it at any given

time," says Wright. "Do a little bit of research to see if there have been any complaints or breaches," he says when asked about how to choose a cloud-based service. Many firms either have a mandatory breach disclo-

sure law they have to follow or they abide by a voluntary policy where they commit to informing their users of breaches.

Websites sometimes change their privacy policies. Even those run by people with the best of intentions sometimes get hacked. And there's the weak link in the whole equation — people.

"If you post too much info on FB and don't have your privacy set properly — you can go on Facebook and find lots of people who have not put in any privacy restrictions on their information and that makes it really easy for people to target them."

Hacking your world: Day 3 of 3

• Who's hacking who? Who's hacking you? Metro looks at the real-life world of virtual break-ins

• If you missed content for the first two days, be sure to check out the rest of our feature online at metronews.ca.

The Honey Stick Project



Security researcher Scott Wright has found in his experiments that 80 per cent of the time, people will look through the content of a phone they find, beyond looking for contact information.

SEAN MCKIBBIN/METRO

Spies like us?

If you lose your phone, are people reading your financial statements? Most people want to keep their private affairs private and don't want to be hacked, but how they feel about the privacy of others is a whole different thing.

Security researcher Scott Wright, who runs a study called the Honey Stick Project, has some bad news.

"People love to look at other people's employment and salary information," says Wright, who runs experiments in which he will drop unlocked USB keys and smartphones with fake files labeled things like "HR

salaries," "concert tickets" or "passwords," in different cities in Canada and the U.S. and then monitors what people do with them.

"It's not all that encouraging," he says. "For USB drives, about 65 per cent of the time people will open them, plug them into their computer, double click on files, which could infect their computers."

For the phones, he says 80 per cent of the time people will go through the contents to see what's on them.

"And it's not just to find contact information," he says.

Do the phones come back? "About 50 per cent of the time they will get returned."

SEAN MCKIBBIN/METRO IN OTTAWA

Cupid's dart

On a personal level, people need to be aware of the threats closest to them — while the stereotypical "threat model" is a stranger jumping out of the bushes and attacking us, most victims of physical crimes know their attackers.

- In the computer world threats can be close too.
- Jealous partners and exes might want to snoop on your browsing or install spyware on your computer, says computer security researcher Leigh Honeywell.

The enemy that comes from within

Nor should we overlook the threats closest to us.

"When it comes to security in businesses, the person

tected and stopped. But while companies can hire security professionals such as Wright and Honeywell, that's

Q&A with the commish

Chantal Bernier.

Interim privacy commissioner talks about her biggest concerns and whether we need to redefine our ideas of privacy

TREVOR GREENWAY
& SEAN MCKIBBON
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Personal is still personal, even on Facebook

“The public availability of personal information on the Internet’ does not ‘render personal information non-personal.” Chantal Bernier, quoting a report from her office that looked into two government departments’ collection of information from an activist’s Facebook page

Metro posed a series of questions to Chantal Bernier, Interim Privacy Commissioner of Canada, by email. The following article has been edited for length and clarity.

Q: Canadians have many

online privacy concerns. What do you see as threats they are facing?

A: Canadians face a growing number of threats ... they may be tracked without their knowledge; they are vulnerable to hackers and fraudsters; and they may be surprised to find information they posted online used in ways they had not anticipated.

When Canadians were asked about the privacy risks that most concerned them, computer privacy and Internet security were second only to concerns related to security of financial information. We have seen a growing number of investigations under the Personal Information and Electronic Documents Act (PIPEDA) involve online issues.

We recently completed an investigation on how Google’s online advertising service used sensitive information about individuals’ online activities to target them with health-related advertisements. Not only was this contrary to Canadian privacy law ... it was also contrary to Google’s own privacy policy ... We were pleased Google agreed to implement our recommendations.

In our last annual report on the Privacy Act, we raised concerns with respect to two government departments collecting personal information posted by an activist on her personal Facebook page. We recommended that the departments not access this type of personal information from social media sites unless they

Video



Have you been hacked?

30.5%

In an online poll, 30.5 per cent of Metro readers said they had been hacked at some point, while 12 per cent said they were the ones doing the hacking.

could show there was a direct link to an operating program or activities.

Our Office recently prepared a Special Report to Parliament on reinforcing privacy protection and oversight for the Canadian intelligence community in an era of cyber-surveillance.

Canada does have a comparatively strong oversight system but our report includes a number of recommendations such as increased public reporting and a call for a re-examination of the oversight

structure designed to ensure privacy.

Q: What is the volume of complaints your office fields about online privacy concerns?

A: In a typical year, our office investigates more than 1,400 complaints under the Privacy Act and PIPEDA.

Q: With the pervasiveness of Facebook and Twitter, do you think the definition of privacy needs to change?

A: Our expectations of privacy are different depending on circumstances. What you post on the Internet is not always private. We encourage people to only post things they would be comfortable with the whole world seeing.

Q: Do we need greater investment in creating a more

secure IT infrastructure?

A: Our work has focused on ensuring organizations that are online use the tools and technologies available to properly protect security and privacy. Many privacy problems we encounter have more to do with business practices and improper use of technology to keep information secure, rather than fundamental infrastructure issues.

Q: Is the commission concerned that the government has been spying on its own people?

The recent revelations about surveillance matters have been troubling from a privacy standpoint. We hope our recent report to Parliament will contribute to a constructive, informed debate on privacy protection in the context of national security.



Interim Privacy Commissioner Chantal Bernier. THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

Twitter

@koolkirbs

I care! I don't want Canada to turn into George Orwell's "1984".

@Russell_Barth 28m

I sure hope the dastardly, sex-assault-joking, pole-murdering, barn-burning #RCMP #filth aren't reading this.

@Cazzy

not printing your Twitter details (username or password) in a publication read by thousands daily. Ed's note: It's 1.8 million, actually :)

@FrenchmanCanada

All my online passwords are the same as my debit card pin(0000).It's so obvious,nobody will ever be able to hack that for sure.

@metropicks asked: Do you care if the government is looking at your personal information?



@metropicks asked: What's your best tip for keeping your information safe from hackers?

Stay safe out there with this software



Mailvelope. A browser extension that lets people exchange encrypted emails using OpenPGP encryption.



Lastpass. A password manager that helps users make robust logins and passwords, without having to remember them.



• **OpenVPN.** This software integrates OpenVPN server capabilities that people can use to enhance their security when using public WiFi.



• **McAfee.** This software adds safety ratings to browser and search engine results to help people avoid risky websites.

Quebec students take to the streets again opposing PQ budget

Austerity measures.

Demonstrators oppose cost-saving measures never implemented because of election call

A protest by thousands of Quebec students was declared illegal shortly after it began Thursday because authorities had not received details of the route beforehand.

The demonstration was called to oppose what organizers described as austerity measures contained in last February's provincial budget.

At least two people were arrested.

Measures in the budget were not implemented because the Parti Québécois called a provincial election about two weeks after it was tabled in the legislature. The protesters blame the PQ for increasing the cost of public services, education and electricity. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Demonstrators march through the streets of Montreal Thursday to protest austerity measures in the PQ's February budget. RYAN REMIOWZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Quebec election Monday

Marois tries income tax cuts as she trails in polls

Parti Québécois Leader Pauline Marois is promising income-tax cuts after a return to a balanced budget in 2016.

Marois was short on details when she made the unexpected announcement following a business speech Thursday. The PQ is trailing in various polls four days before Monday's election. Marois says the cuts would be a PQ priority even though she has not mentioned them since the election was called on March 5. When she was asked why she is bringing up the idea right now, she replied that no one asked.

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Deep hidden ocean discovered on Saturn moon

Enceladus. Little moon is probably not the only one with a subsurface sea; Saturn's Titan moon may also have an ocean

Scientists have uncovered a vast ocean beneath the icy surface of Saturn's little moon Enceladus.

Italian and American researchers made the discovery using Cassini, a NASA-European spacecraft still exploring Saturn and its rings 17 years after its launch from Cape Canaveral.

Their findings were announced Thursday.



This shows the possible interior of Enceladus. NASA, JPL, CALTECH/AP

This new ocean of liquid water — as big as or even bigger than North America's Lake Superior — is centred at

the south pole of Enceladus and could encompass much if not most of the moon. Enceladus is about 499 kilometres across.

The data does not show if the ocean extends to the north pole, said the lead researcher, Luciano Iess of Sapienza University of Rome. At the very least, it's a regional sea some 40 kilometres deep under miles-thick ice.

On Earth, it would stretch at least from our South Pole up to New Zealand.

Cassini's rudimentary instruments cannot determine whether the moon's ocean harbours any form of life. Another mission using more sophisticated instruments is needed for that.

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Vancouver kids, kindergarten to Grade 7, get to name two police puppies

One of two eight-week-old puppies is held by a police officer at the police dog squad facility in Vancouver on Thursday. The Vancouver Police Department is holding a name-the-puppy contest, open to Vancouver students in kindergarten to Grade 7.

KAYLA ISOMURA/FOR METRO IN VANCOUVER

FireChat ignites off-the-grid convos

Humans made fire...

Now we've made a messaging app via wireless mesh networking so users can connect sans Internet

A new mobile messaging application called FireChat is empowering nearby smartphone users to stay in touch even when there's no cellular service or Internet connection.

In just two weeks since its release on the iPhone, FireChat already has provided a flicker of hope for people pining for more effective, secure and affordable ways to communicate. That's because the free messaging app harnesses a technology called wireless mesh networking, which might someday allow a myriad of devices to connect like links in a chain.

The technique might someday be used to tie together thousands of devices with built-in radios and make it possible to be online without having to pay for the access. It could also enable online communications in remote areas or disaster zones without Wi-Fi or cellular signals. Furthermore, the conversations in these so-called "off-the-grid" networks can't be easily hacked

Hitching a ride

FireChat's iPhone app piggybacks on an often overlooked feature called the Multipoint Connectivity Framework that Apple Inc. included in its latest mobile operating system, iOS 7, released last September. Apple says more than 80 per cent of people using its mobile devices rely on iOS 7.

into by spies and mischief makers or shut down by governments trying to stifle free speech.

"We are trying to create networks built by the people for the people," said Micha Benoliel, CEO of Open Garden, maker of the FireChat app.

Open Garden, a San Francisco startup with just 10 employees, is taking another step toward its ambitious goal with Thursday's release of a FireChat app for Android phones.

FireChat could be an even hotter commodity on Android given the demographic differences between that platform's user base and the typical iPhone owner.

The app already has been installed on more than 1 million iOS devices.

Many smartphones running on Google Inc.'s free Android software are cheaper than Apple Inc.'s iPhone.

That has made Android phones the top-selling mobile devices in less affluent countries, including in regions where Internet access is inadequate or expensive.

Google is among the big Internet companies intrigued with mesh networking's potential to bring more of the world online.

Sundar Pichai, Google's executive in charge of Android, has touted mesh networks as a way to connect wearable computers, such as the company's Glass eye-wear. Mesh networks also could be used to bring a wide variety of everyday appliances online, helping to build an Internet of things instead of just websites.

FireChat's reach so far is limited. When connecting off the grid, iPhone app users have only been able to send text and photos to other FireChat users within a range of 30 to 100 feet.

Later this year, Open Garden plans to upgrade FireChat's iPhone app so off-the-grid users will be able to hopscotch through a daisy chain of devices to extend the reach of a local network. If this works, a FireChat user sitting in the right-field bleachers of a baseball game would be able to text with a friend on the other side of the stadium if enough other iPhone users in the ballpark also are on FireChat.

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Samsung slowly realizing this is 2014, not 1964

In this Feb. 20, 2014 photo, models pose with a Samsung Electronics curved UHD TV during a press unveiling at its headquarters in Seoul, South Korea. Samsung Electronics Co., which is preparing for the global launch of the Galaxy S5 smartphone on April 11 said it is making "concentrated efforts" to ensure its communications around the world respectfully portray women. Some of its promotions and corporate events in the past year were criticized as sexist and demeaning. The advertising of LG Electronics Inc. has also been under scrutiny in South Korea and abroad for its portrayal of women. AHN YOUNG-JOON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

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LACK OF JUDGEMENT? THAT'S %\$#@

1 Justin Trudeau. I'm all for politicians being transparent and real, so I don't think it's a big deal the Liberal leader dropped the f-bomb at a charity boxing event last weekend in Gatineau, Que. The PMO called his use of the f-word a "lack of judgment" but that's the pot calling the kettle black.

2 Circle of life. Imagine being on a plane, when all of the sudden a bunch of people break out in an amazing rendition of The Circle of Life and they turn out to be the Australian cast of The Lion King. That's what happened during a flight from Brisbane to Sydney, and the YouTube footage of their high-flying performance has three million views. What a scream, er, roar!

3 Final Four. It's March Madness fun this weekend as it all comes down to No 1. Florida versus No. 7 Connecticut, and No. 2 Wisconsin versus No. 8 Kentucky. I'm pumped for this but was really hoping Canada's Nik Stauskas would be playing there — the Michigan team he starred on lost a nail-biter to Kentucky in the Final Eight.



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4 Pranks. April Fools' wasn't just parents pranking their kids. Some of the best came from Canadian companies such as Fido, which replaced their iconic K9 with a feline in their branding, and Westjet claiming it's converting all its flight times to metric. That more companies have co-opted April Fools' is fine with me. All in good fun.

5 Photoshop Lorde. Huge props to Lorde, the 17-year-old pop star who drew attention to a photoshopped image of herself on Twitter, and then showed the "real" one with all her flaws. "I find this curious — two photos from today, one edited so my skin is perfect and one real. remember flaws are ok :)" she said to her 1.4 million followers. Great message.

6 Miley & Avril. To lampoon a recent study ranking Avril as the most famous Canadian of all time, Miley Cyrus and Avril Lavigne showed they have comedic talent in a 14-second Instagram video where they argue over who is the most famous person in Canada. They end the video by play wrestling. The only

thing that would have made it better is if the Biebs was refereeing.

7 Snapchat. Time.com posted an article on how Snapchat is growing up, as it transitions from tweens sending selfies to each other to college students trading admissions pics — and colleges actually directly recruiting students using the service. Facebook, Instagram and Twitter grew up. Now, it's Snapchat's turn. Time for me to join.

8 #YouKnowYoureCanadianWhen. What I love about Canadians is how funny and self-deprecating we are. So when #YouKnowYoureCanadianWhen trended this week, people ate it up like bacon with tweets like "You wanna wear shorts in 7 degree weather" and "you say sorry when the person bumped into *you*." Love this country.

9 (Samsung) selfie with Obama. A selfie of Boston Red Sox slugger David Ortiz with U.S. President Obama was all the rage this week. Turns out, Samsung — which was behind the Ellen Oscars selfie — was also behind this, as Ortiz has an endorsement deal with them. From now on, I'm just going to assume Samsung is behind every selfie that goes viral. So they win.



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They're neck and neck!



COURTESY SOL NEELMAN

World of weird sports chronicled

Ostrich racing in Nevada, lightsaber fencing in San Francisco and fire obstacle running in Wolverhampton, U.K., are some of the bizarre sports Sol Neelman has documented over the years. The photographer's latest pictures feature in his second volume *Weird Sports 2*, which is currently fundraising on Kickstarter. **METRO**

Q and A

Epiphany led to niche photography



SOL NEELMAN
Photographer based in
Portland, Ore.

How did you get into weird sports photography?
About ten years ago, a friend asked me, what

do I love? "Travel, sport, photography and weird s—t," I replied. So I started researching about wild sporting events and sort of had an epiphany: I found fun things to photograph. So I quit my job at local newspaper The Oregonian and started travelling the world chronicling strange sports — 200 of them in nine years.

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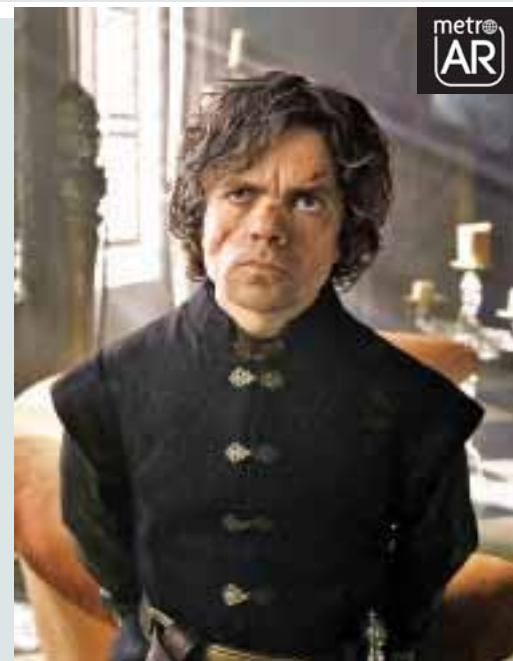
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Nightmare Before Christmas does Game of Thrones



ANDREW FIELD
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You may have heard that a little show called *Game of Thrones* is returning on Sunday, unleashing season 4 on a very eager audience. But a lot has happened in Westeros over the past three seasons. Luckily, Cas van de Pol has put together a *Nightmare Before Christmas*-inspired musical number to bring you up to speed.



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The Captain's full of action

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Chris Evans, right, stars in *Captain America: The Winter Soldier*. Richard Crouse gives the movie some credit for its good action sequences. CONTRIBUTED

Synopsis

When we meet up with the recently defrosted superhero Captain America (Chris Evans), he is catching up with the modern world. He soon finds himself tangling with the chrome-armed Winter Soldier (Sebastian Stan), a villain from Cap's long distant past and battle against a threat from deep inside S.H.I.E.L.D., his own spy network. The Captain must determine who can be trusted. Will it be S.H.I.E.L.D. director Nick Fury (Samuel L. Jackson), the flirty but deadly Natasha Romanoff (Scarlett Johansson) or World Security Council bigwig Alexander Pierce (Robert Redford)? The decisions he makes could save his life and the lives of 20 million civilians.

- Richard: ●●●●
- Mark: ●●●●

Captain America: The Winter Soldier. Blockbuster's plot is ripe with twists and turns and some genuinely thrilling moments

Richard: Mark, movie by movie, Marvel is creating an interconnected universe. Like a giant jigsaw puzzle, the comic book company has pieced together something quite unprecedented: a series of films that aren't sequels to one another, but when combined form a loud, brash whole. Captain America was a latecomer to the party, and

while the first film was a solid introduction, it didn't have the sparkle of, say, the first Iron Man movie. The character seemed a bit beige; a do-gooder with no rough edges. The Winter Soldier addresses those concerns, fleshing out the character and providing some very good action sequences. What do you think?

Mark: I'm not sure the word "think" applies much to the movie. But I did enjoy it, much more than the first installment. The plot seemed rooted in some reality, in a kind of paranoid thriller way, like *Enemy of the State* and *Three Days of the Condor*, and Robert Redford's presence makes the connection

Quoted

"This time out I thought Evans got deeper into the character."

Richard Crouse, movie columnist

even more explicit. But I still don't feel I knew Captain America any better in this one. He's still a cipher to me — a sphinx with a very powerful garbage can lid.

RC: This time out I thought Evans got deeper into the character. Physically he's one big rippling muscle, but it's his personality and attitude that make him interesting. He's still a do-gooder, but one who questions his mis-

sions. "You're holding a gun to everyone on Earth and calling it protection," he says after learning of S.H.I.E.L.D.'s violent plan to bring peace to the world. It's an edgy message from a Greatest-Generation type to a world where drones have become common and Edward Snowden rides the line between patriot and traitor. The message permeates the plot, which is ripe with twists and turns and some genuinely thrilling moments.

MB: Dunno about the message, but there were two long memorable car chases, and that's enough for me! Loved the cast — Redford, Samuel L. Jackson, Anthony Mackie, all great fun, but Scarlett Jo-

hansson was the cherry on the top of this sundae. She plays a lot of scenes without much makeup, which made me believe she was actually on an op. In the fight scenes, I'm sure Evans and Johansson used stunt doubles, but it looked they were doing their own work. Nice directing.

RC: I enjoyed the performances. Johansson, in particular, is mad, bad and dangerous to know as Romanoff, and kicks so high it's only a matter of time until she gets her own Avengers movie.

MB: I'm looking forward to the next installment: Captain America and Tennille, where he saves the world and sings poppy '70s love ballads.

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Cooking up drama on the gridiron

Draft Day. Director Ivan Reitman set out to make a football movie that appealed to non-football fans



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Ivan Reitman returns to the director's chair with the football drama *Draft Day*, starring Kevin Costner as the beleaguered general manager of the Cleveland Browns. For Reitman, the film signals a change in what sort of material he wants to direct — which means someone else will be helming *Ghostbusters III*.

How do you go about getting non-football fans to care about football?

That's the magic trick of this movie. When we were making it, I knew that if it was only for football fans, then the film wasn't right. Because it's really not so much about football, even though it takes place in the football world. It's really about human drama and being under pressure and rising against it.

And you have Kevin Costner as the guy dealing with that pressure.

There's just something about the guy that looks like he should be doing this and could have done it in



Kevin Costner stars in *Draft Day*, which opens next Friday. CONTRIBUTED

his life. I said this to him when I first met him, that there's kind of this inner goodness that he represents, this all-American kind of good guy quality that we as men want to follow, and it's what makes him effective as a movie star. It's sort of what Gary Cooper and all those great, classical old-time Hollywood guys had.

How did he respond to that?

He sort of smiled shyly

at me and changed the subject.

Being in charge of a major-league sports team is such a public job, with so many fans and critics offering unsolicited opinions. Sort of like being a movie director, right?

There's 100,000 reviewers out there, not counting all the people who review your movie anyway as individuals and tell their friends, "Yeah, it sucked." It's part of public life today, and it's

why I could relate to the story very easily. I felt very much like his job is the job of a director in a movie. I've had to deal with those kinds of pressures.

What are your priorities for choosing projects to direct at this point in your career?

At this age, if I'm going to continue directing, I think it will be things that are a little smaller and more intimate that have a stronger emotional core to



Director Ivan Reitman believes *Ghostbusters III* is still worth making. CONTRIBUTED

Quoted

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Director Ivan Reitman on his project priorities at this point in his career.

them. It sort of led to that decision of withdrawing from *Ghostbusters* as a director. I wanted to do it, but I was always torn for that reason. And then with Harold Ramis's death, it just didn't seem right for me to continue as the director, and I actually thought

I'd be more effective as the producer of the project.

What do you think about the diehard *Ghostbusters* fans out there who don't think a third movie is a good idea?

People are cynical, and there's now a million critics out there who let everybody know on a daily basis what they think about everything. People are always almost 90 per cent negative on what they don't know, because what's in their imagination is not necessarily correct. I know we have a script that I think will work, and I have a long history of making things work. I've been wrong a bunch of times, but I think this is a really good one, and I think it's worth making. The studio does, too. So we'll see. It will either work or it won't. This will be a very considered sequel, if it's going to happen.

Did you know that Arnold Schwarzenegger keeps talking up the planned *Twins* sequel, *Triplets*, during his press appearances?

Oh yeah? I know he wants to do it, but I'm not sure if Universal wants to do it. We have an actually pretty good script that just came in. As a producer I'm certainly interested. I think there's an audience for it, and I think the studio is trying to make up its mind.

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She's starting with the demon in the mirror

Oculus. Karen Gillan shaved her head for Marvel's tent-pole summer film — but first she stars in a freaky thriller



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Metro World News in Hollywood

Scottish actress Karen Gillan is making the move to the big screen after making a name for herself on Doctor Who. She shaved her head for this summer's big Marvel adventure Guardians of the Galaxy, but first up, she has the terrifying new psychological thriller Oculus, featuring Gillan as a young woman trying to prove a demonic mirror was responsible for her family's bloody demise 10 years earlier.

I sat next to a professional medium for my screening, and she couldn't take it. Are you for real? That's cool. If



Karen Gillan stars in Oculus, which opens next Friday. CONTRIBUTED

you can freak out a medium, then great.

The film does a great job of playing with whether the audience can actually trust

your character or not.

That was a really fun thing for me to play and get involved in. As the characters are questioning what they remember and what they believe to be real,

we want the audience to do that as well. So the audience starts off thinking this girl is OK and then are more gradually thinking, "Oh no, she's insane." It's

quite a cool journey.

Did you have any trouble with the American accent?

I mean, I worked with a dialect coach a lot because I had a 13-page monologue to get through. There are certain sounds that I struggle with, or I just slip into this crazy Boston accent out of nowhere. I didn't know what it was (laughs). We'll just assume she spent some time in Boston at some point.

These are the sorts of backstories you create for yourself as an actress.

Yes, exactly. It was just a nuanced performance.

With your transition to films, is there any particular strategy at play?

I don't plot anything out. I'm not really a strategy type. I just look for good projects, really. I mean, right now I'm going to go and shoot a pilot for ABC, so there's no real plotting. I mean, I haven't plotted. Maybe my agent has, but I haven't.

You've obviously already got a nice foothold with the Comic-Con audience with Doctor Who, but Guardians of the Galaxy should increase it to a pretty intense level.

Yeah, what should I do next? How do I get the most nerd cred in the world.

I think Star Wars, maybe? Star Wars, yeah. OK.

The head shaving must come up pretty often.

That does come up a lot. I quite like it. It's OK now, but before it was just so weird. I have my hair as a wig. That was the one thing that Marvel did. They were like, "To soften the blow, we're going to send your hair to the Star Wars people and they're going to make you a wig." I wish I'd gotten a picture of, like, all these monster heads and then just my hair in the Star Wars workshop.

I guess Disney has those connections now.

Exactly. It's like, "I know just who to send this to."

Ratings and synopses courtesy of Rotten Tomatoes. For more movie reviews, trailers and news go to RottenTomatoes.com.

Ratings: Certified Fresh: 🍌 Fresh: 🍌 Rotten: 🍌 Audience response: 🍌 Audience anticipation for the film: +

Horror/Thriller



Afflicted

Director. Derek Lee, Clif Prowse

Stars. Baya Rehaiz, Clif Prowse

This terrifying horror thriller follows two best friends who set out on the trip of a lifetime around the world. Their journey, documented every step of the way, soon takes a dark and unexpected turn after an encounter with a beautiful woman in Paris leaves one of them mysteriously afflicted.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score

Critics: **Audience:**

🍌 89% + 91%

Mystery/Comedy



Cheap Thrills

Director. E.L. Katz

Stars. Pat Healy, Sara Paxton

Cheap Thrills follows Craig (Pat Healy), a family man who loses his job and is threatened with eviction. To delay facing the music at home, he heads to a local bar and encounters a friend (Ethan Embry). The two friends are roped into drinks by a stranger (David Koechner) and his wife (Sara Paxton). The couple engages the two in dares for money, and soon the couple pushes how far Craig and his friend are willing to go for money and cheap thrills.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score

Critics: **Audience:**

🍌 90% 🍌 96%

Drama



Noah

Director. Darren Aronofsky

Stars. Russell Crowe, Jennifer Connelly

Russell Crowe stars as Noah in the film inspired by the epic biblical story of courage, sacrifice and hope. Directed by visionary filmmaker Darren Aronofsky.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score

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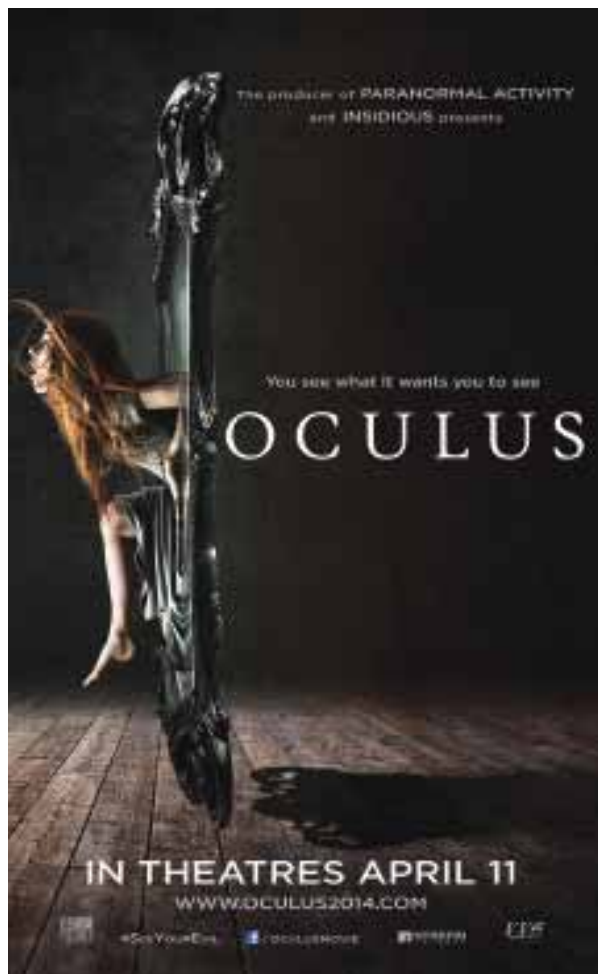
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The spies who loved each other. Childhood friends unite to foil the British in the AMC historical drama *Turn*

A classic spoof of the Revolutionary War finds Gen. George Washington interrupted by a bill collector out on the battlefield.

"Could you come back in a little while?" Washington proposes. "I'm going down in history at the moment."

In real life, Washington didn't know he was going down in history any more than do the characters of *Turn*, a new AMC drama about four young Americans who find themselves part of an espionage network destined to help the Continentals beat their British oppressors.

History records these childhood friends were the core of what was dubbed the Culper Ring. But history remained pretty tight-lipped about it, at least until now, as *Turn* shines an overdue light on their galantry.

"We're catching these heroes before they were heroes," says Heather Lind, who plays wife, tavern keeper and spy Anna Strong. "I didn't know I was auditioning for a real person till about three auditions in."

Adding spice to the tale is the mutual yearning of Anna and her former fiancé, Abraham Woodhull, in their small Long Island town. Years earlier, Abraham broke off their engagement. Each married another. Now, reunited by their patriotic cause, they find their long-thwarted romance will be rekindled.

"He knows Anna is who he should be with," says Jamie Bell, who plays the much-conflicted Abraham. And when the war throws them together, "she's the one who makes him face his fears and find his voice."

The 28-year-old Bell, born in England, began his career as a kid star in the 2000 musical feature *Billy Elliot*, wowing moviegoers with his skill as a hooper. Subsequent films include *King Kong*, *Nicholas Nickleby*, *Flags of Our Fathers*, *The Adventures of Tintin* and the current *Nymphomaniac*. He is married to actress Evan Rachel Wood.

Lind, 31, who grew up

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"It gets hot and heavy, man. We spend at least half the season building up to it."

Jamie Bell, who plays Abe to Heather Lind's Anna in *Turn*, describes the slow burn leading up to the rekindling of the pair's long-thwarted romance.

near Albany, N.Y., has logged a number of stage credits and a recurring role on HBO's *Boardwalk Empire*.

"I was sort of star-struck when I met Jamie," she confides. "To look nice I wore a pair of heels. Then Jamie came in and introduced himself and I was sort of looking down at him."

No wonder. Bell has a wiry but compact build ("I'm five-foot-eight after yoga, when I've stretched myself out") and Lind reports her height as five-foot-seven.

"At the last minute, right before the audition, I snuck a pair of flats out of my bag and

changed shoes," she says.

"Very Anna Strong-like," says Bell admiringly.

The couple's easy, joking banter strikes quite a contrast to Abraham's haunted demeanour, and to that of Anna, who, in Lind's portrayal, exhibits a world of pain and resolve in her enormous brown eyes.

"On the show, I look so serious!" Lind says. "But there are a few scenes toward the end of the season where there's laughing."

"Why?" asks the reporter. Was someone tickling her?

"You can use that word if you like," she replies with an

Premiere

Turn premieres on AMC
Sunday at 9 p.m. ET

explosive giggle.

"It gets hot and heavy, man," Bell elaborates. "We spend at least half the season building up to it."

Meanwhile, they have been busy helping the struggling Continentals hang on.

Turn, which wrapped its first season just one day before this interview in New York, was shot around Richmond, Va. Billed there with Bell and Lind were Seth Numrich as Ben Tallmadge and Daniel Henshall as Caleb Brewster, the other members of the undercover quartet. The series also stars Kevin R. McNally, Burn Gorman, Angus MacFadyen, JJ Feild and Samuel Roukin as the slithery Redcoat Capt. Simcoe, who viewers will love hating from his boots to his powdery wig.

Speaking of which: "The men on this show have more makeup and hair than WE do," cracks Lind. "Do you know how long it takes to straighten out his ponytail?" she says with a nod toward Bell.

"I wear a little extension," he concedes. "I've been wearing it for five months and I took it out yesterday for the final time. I was ready to burn it!" **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Heather Lind as Anna Strong, left, and Jamie Bell as Abe Woodhull in a scene from *Turn*. ANTONY PLATT/AMC

Old-timers wield power behind Iron Throne

Respect your elders. Veteran actors prove influential players in the Game of Thrones

Like every Game of Thrones fan, Charles Dance was gobsmacked by last season's next-to-last installment.

That episode floored viewers with its ritualistic Red Wedding, a massacre staged by Lord Walder Frey, the bride's father, who meant to settle a score with his hall of guests, and did.

"I got quite a shock!" says Dance, speaking for everyone who saw it. "It was bloody in the extreme!"

The fact that Dance was caught off guard is notable, since he's a star of the show. Indeed, the character he plays, Lord Tywin Lannister, had a hand in the bloodshed.

But he didn't actually appear in that episode, "and when I'm not in it, to be honest with you, I don't read the script," Dance says. "I catch up on what's happening when the episode airs."

Game of Thrones, which returns Sunday at 9 p.m. ET/MT on HBO Canada, will pack its next punch soon enough in the new season. Such is the nature of this epic fantasy, set on a make-believe continent called Westeros, chock-full of warring kingdoms, rugged landscapes, lots of sex and swordplay, and, of course, fire-breathing dragons.

If the scale of the series is vast, the source material is no less sprawling: the five-and-counting novels by George R.R. Martin in the series A Song of Ice and Fire.

"I still have not read the books," says Dance. "They frighten me, books that thick. And, anyway, we're dealing with an adaptation. I think it's counterproductive for actors to come to the set with well-thumbed copies of the book their film is adapted from."

Dance's despotic Lord Tywin is the grandfather of King Joffrey, an infantile tyrant whose betrothed is the granddaughter of Olenna Tyrell. Lady Olenna is played by Diana Rigg.

On-screen laws, Rigg and Dance have known and worked together for decades, including a 1997 British TV adaptation of Rebecca. Little wonder they get on famously as they meet with a reporter at a Manhattan hotel.

Rigg says she hasn't read the Game of Thrones books either.

"I rely upon the directors to fill me in before a shot," she confides. "They're very good with reminders."

Asked what drew him to the show, Dance smiles and answers, "The writing was good, the costumes are great and, eventually, the location catering was fantastic."

"I loved the idea of playing this naughty old bag," Rigg says, offering her own explanation. "It's my idea of heaven."

Now 75, Rigg has had a rich and varied career in theatre, both in her native Britain and as a Tony Award winner on Broadway, as well as films including the James Bond

Quoted

"I loved the idea of playing this naughty old bag."

Diana Rigg, who plays the matriarch Olenna Tyrell on Game of Thrones

caper On Her Majesty's Secret Service.

But her breakout role was in 1965 in the British TV thriller The Avengers, where she played the catsuit-clad karate queen Emma Peel.

"It put me on the map," she says.

"Which a lifetime of Shakespeare wouldn't have done."

Tall and imperial, Dance, 67, grew up working-class in England and overcame a teenage stammer to devote himself to theatre. His breakout project was the 1984 British TV hit The Jewel in the Crown, which he followed with more theatre and such films as Michael Collins, Gosford Park and the British miniseries Bleak House.

His first job: working as a dresser in the original West End production of Fiddler on the Roof. Then he landed a spot in a Lon-

don repertory company with a crushing regime: "It was 16 plays in 16 weeks. 'What's my motivation?' 'Your weekly paycheck. Just learn the lines and don't bump into the furniture.'"

Learning the lines wasn't always possible, as when Dance's mind went blank during a performance of "Charley's Aunt." But he was rescued. "A co-star came onstage with a tray. 'Letter for you, sir.' And on the tray was the page I needed from the script."

Likewise, Rigg paid her dues in repertory. Besides dashing onstage to say her lines, she was charged with such production chores as handling recorded sound effects and background music.

"Once, when the curtain was coming down, I was supposed to play Ride of the Valkyries," she says. Instead, she mistakenly cued up a polka. "The looks I got from the rest of the cast at our curtain call!"

Rigg and Dance are cracking up at their shared memories of starting out so long ago. But both are caught short by this inquiry: When did you know you had finally made it?

"When I could book a holiday," Dance replies after a bit of thought, "and know there was a job to come back to."

As for Rigg, "It was when I found money in a handbag I didn't know I had: 'How did THAT get in there and how did I not notice it? I must be on my way!'"

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Charles Dance, left, plays the conniving Lord Tywin Lannister on Game of Thrones. Right, Natalie Dormer walks with Diana Rigg, at far right, in a still from the third season of the show. HELEN SLOAN/HBO/MACALL B. POLAY/HBO

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Lindsay Lohan ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Freehab? LiLo's stay at Cliffside Malibu comped

Lindsay Lohan's ongoing financial woes didn't stop her from getting some much-needed treatment, as her last three-month stay at the Cliffside Malibu rehab facility was reportedly on the house, according to Radar Online. "Health insurance wouldn't pay for the rehab stint because this was her sixth time in treatment," a source says. "Cliffside Malibu comped it."

Prior to arriving at Cliffside, Lindsay had been at Betty Ford and wasn't doing well there. Cliffside Malibu became available and agreed to allow her to stay, presumably because of the free publicity it gave them. She thrived in the environment," Lohan reportedly stayed in a private room at the well-appointed facility because "she would never agree to have a roommate."

The Word



Were Gwyneth and Chris consciously open coupling?

MELINDA TAUB
Metro World News

I really do feel badly for Chris Martin and Gwyneth Paltrow. Say what you will about Gwyneth, no one ever accused

her of not trying hard.

That's not to say that the Paltrow-Martin marriage was all picket fences and soccer games. Rumour has it that prior to their conscious uncoupling, Paltrow and Martin engaged in a fair amount of conscious coupling with other partners, according to E! Online.

Gwyneth's recent struggle with Vanity Fair was reportedly the result of her (ultimately successful) attempt to keep the magazine from printing rumours of her affair with businessman Jeffrey Soffer.

She's also been linked to Glee producer Brad Falchuk and attorney Kevin Yorn. Coldplay star Martin, meanwhile, has reportedly been spotted with Kate Hudson, Kate Bosworth and Helena Christensen.



Tom Daley

Daley says he's gay, not bisexual

Tom Daley would like to clarify his earlier statement about his sexuality. When the British Olympic diver first divulged that he is dating a man — Oscar-winning screenwriter Dustin Lance Black, as it turns out — in a YouTube video in December, he was sure to mention, "Of course, I still fancy girls." But in an interview on Keith Lemon's Celebrity Juice, Daley revised his statement, saying, "I am a gay man now." And while he found the coming out experience terrifying, Daley is still glad he did it. "I came out on YouTube as I wanted to say what I wanted to say without anyone twisting it. I told my family before I told the world. I was terrified," he says.

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I'm back from Germany — a winemaking country with a long history, both in its own vineyards and here in Canada.

If you're showing even a hint of grey hair, you probably remember Germany's liquid output as the sweet and simple stuff your parents drank at bridge club parties.

But today's German wines have a secret weapon. Predominately white, their balance of sugar and acidity make them extremely food-friendly, especially when you're looking for a match with takeout. Sushi, Chinese, Mexican, Thai, anything spicy, and they can fill your glass.

I spent some time in the Mosel region: a beautiful part of the wine world populated by small fairy-tale towns where steeply planted vines grow on the slopes that rise from the banks of the meandering Moselle river.

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Forget the tired lettuce, croutons, store-bought dressing and fake Parmesan cheese routine. Bestselling Australian chef Donna Hay shows us how to give a classic salad new life with a recipe from her cookbook *Fast, Fresh, Simple*.



Dessert

Berry Mille Feuille

- 8 square won ton wrappers
- 50 g butter, melted
- 2 tbsp icing sugar
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) single (pouring) cream, whipped
- 125 g blueberries
- 125 g raspberries
- Extra icing sugar, for dusting

Preheat oven to 180 C (350 F). Place won tons on a baking tray lined with non-stick baking paper. Brush the won tons with butter and sprinkle with icing sugar. Bake for 5-7 minutes or until golden. Cool on trays. Place a won ton on each of 4 serving plates. Spoon half the cream onto the won tons and top with the blueberries. Top with another won ton and the remaining cream and sprinkle with raspberries. Dust with extra icing sugar to serve. **DONNA HAY, GUSTOTV.COM**



This recipe serves four. **DONNA HAY**

Break out of the typical salad box with The New Caesar



This recipe serves four. **DONNA HAY**



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1. Preheat oven to 160 C (325 F). Brush the bacon with maple syrup, place on a baking tray lined with non-stick baking paper and bake for 15 minutes.

2. To make the dressing, place

Ingredients

- 8 pieces bacon, rind removed
 - 1/4 cup (60 ml) maple syrup
 - 2 baby romaine lettuces, trimmed and halved
 - 4 eggs, soft boiled and peeled
 - 1/4 cup (20 g) finely grated Parmesan
 - 8 long thin slices baguette, toasted
- Caesar Dressing**
- 1 egg
 - 2 anchovy fillets
 - 1/2 tsp Worcestershire sauce
 - 1 tsp lemon juice
 - 3/4 cup (180 ml) vegetable oil

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the egg, anchovy, sauce and lemon juice in a food processor and process until combined. With the motor running, gradually add the oil and process until creamy. Add water to adjust the thickness.

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Dustin McGowan will be the Blue Jays' starting pitcher for their home opener on Friday night against the Yankees. "I want that crowd, I want it loud," McGowan said. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE FILE

McGowan dustin' off his starter's cap

Blue Jays home opener. Veteran pitcher to make his first start in 2 1/2 years on Friday against Bronx Bombers

On the eve of his first major-league start in 2 1/2 years, Dustin McGowan was more stressed about the flight he was "fixin' to get on."

"I hate flying," the Blue Jays' 32-year-old right-hander told Torstar News Service Thursday afternoon, just before he left the visiting clubhouse at Tropicana Field to head to the airport.

McGowan flew to Toronto ahead of his teammates Thursday to get a good night's rest before one of the most momentous starts of his roller-coaster career.

A first-round draft pick in 2000, the hard-throwing righty made 27 starts for the Jays in 2007 and 19 the following year before landing on

the disabled list with a shoulder injury. Since then he has pitched fewer than 50 big-league innings — a span of 5 1/2 seasons — as he endured multiple shoulder surgeries, as well as injuries to his knee and foot. It's tough to imagine a career as checkered as his that found its way back on track.

Yet, here McGowan is, set to take the mound at Friday's home opener against the New York Yankees in front of a sold-out crowd.

Though he knows the atmosphere will be raucous,

McGowan said Thursday he has no intention of trying to block out the crowd.

"I definitely want to embrace it," he said. "It's going to be one of those games when there's going to be lots of energy in the building and you want to take that momentum with you from the crowd. I'm sure there's going to be a point in the game when I'm going to have to calm myself down and slow it down a little bit, but yeah, I want that crowd, I want it loud."

Jays fans are likely to oblige him.

Sold out in under an hour

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The number of minutes it took for fans to snatch up tickets to the big game when they went on sale back in January.

In addition to the usual fanfare of the home opener and a game against the Yankees, it's tough to think of another player on the current Jays' roster who has been so universally rooted for as McGowan. His comeback start in September 2011 — then his first since July 2008 — was met with a stirring ovation. Friday figures to be the same, only with a packed house to boot.

But for everywhere outside of Toronto, the spotlight on Friday will be squarely on McGowan's counterpart with the Yankees, Masahiro Tanaka, the highly touted Japanese right-hander who's making his major-league debut.

McGowan said he doesn't

look at it as a mano-a-mano matchup.

"It's not me versus Tanaka," he said. "It's the Blue Jays versus the Yankees. I'm sure it's going to be electric in there because of him pitching his first game. I look forward to the challenge."

When McGowan was announced as the starter for the home opener in the final week of spring training, GM Alex Anthopoulos said he hoped to get away from the talk of his incredible story and focus instead on the fact that he's simply a great pitcher.

McGowan feels the same, but he knows his long road back to the big leagues is also part of who he is.

"I'll always have that with me because I focused so hard to get back to this point," he said. "But yeah, there's got to be a point where we forget about that and we just look forward. It's good to come back from all of this, but I don't want to have to come back from something else."

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Gone to the dogs ... and cat

- Each year, enough hot dogs are sold at Rogers Centre that, if they were lined up, they would cover the distance of 3,241 stolen bases.
- The league reached a licensing agreement with Hello Kitty creator Sanrio last winter, and now clothing, dolls and baseballs with the cartoon cat's image will be sold at Jays games throughout the season.



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Let's play ball

Spring training is all over and the season's home opener is this weekend. Check out five Blue Jays to watch in 2014.

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R.A. Dickey

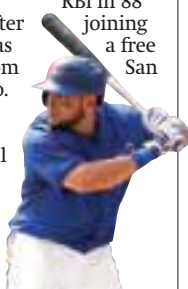
The erudite knuckleballer had a slow start last season before rallying to finish with a 14-13 record and 4.21 ERA. He knows improvement is needed.

Dickey says he has prepared better this spring. "I feel more ready," he said.

Melky Cabrera

It's been a new-look Cabrera this spring. The 29-year-old left-fielder from the Dominican Republic is back after having surgery to remove a tumour from his lower back.

He played through pain in 2013, hitting .279 with 30 RBIs in 88 games after joining the Jays as agent from San Francisco. Healthy enough, he'll spell Rasmus in centre field as needed.



Dioner Navarro

The Jays are the fifth team in five seasons for the chunky Venezuelan catcher, who takes over from the departed J.P. Arencibia. At five foot nine and 205 pounds, Navarro isn't a conventional pro athlete body type. "Attack, attack, attack," is his preferred way to go at hitters.

Colby Rasmus

Rasmus is eligible for free agency in 2015, making this a big year for the 27-year-old centre-fielder. Rasmus had a banner season last year when he hit .276 with 22 homers, 66 RBIs and an .840 OPS (on base plus slugging).

His 2013 performance earned him a one-year, US\$7-million deal. Another season he looks even better. Quality and bigger numbers.



Drew Hutchison

One of the few pitching success stories of the spring, Hutchison played his way into the starting rotation.

John Gibbons compares him to former Blue Jay and current Met Shaun Marcum.

Home opener

Jays play host to the N.Y. Yankees

The Blue Jays host the New York Yankees Friday night in a home opener fraught with subplots and points of interest.

Yankees star Derek Jeter will make the first Toronto trip of his final major league season. Jays pitcher Dustin McGowan will start a game for the first time since 2011. Masahiro Tanaka, the Yankees' \$155-million pitching ace from Japan, will make his major league debut.

But the most anticipated element of the Jays' home opener might be the Hello Kitty-branded gear available for the first time at Rogers Centre merchandise stands.

This winter Major League Baseball reached a licensing agreement with Sanrio, the Japanese company that introduced that Hello Kitty cartoon character in 1974 and has plastered its image on everything from t-shirts to scissors to cutting boards.

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Nationals rally to sweep series over Mets in N.Y.

Good omen.

Washington opens with 3-0 record for second straight season.

Tanner Roark recovered from a shaky first inning as an emergency starter in place of ailing Jordan Zimmermann, and the Washington Nationals rallied past the New York Mets 8-2 Thursday for an opening three-game sweep.

Ryan Zimmerman tied his career high with four hits, including three that led off innings. His second-inning home run started the Nationals' comeback from a 2-0 deficit.

Washington's leadoff batter reached in the first seven innings, and the Nationals rallied to win for the third time in the series. While Washington opened 3-0 for the second



Jordan Zimmermann.
AL BELLO/GETTY IMAGES

straight season, the Mets fell to 0-3 for the first time since 2005. They had not lost their first three home games since 1997.

Zimmermann, 19-9 last year, was fine Wednesday but developed a fever overnight

and was throwing up. Roark, who had been scheduled to start Friday's home opener against Atlanta, was told in the morning he'd be on the mound.

Roark (1-0) got just two swings and misses in the first two innings and fell behind in a 30-pitch first. He wound up allowing just the two runs and six hits in six innings with three walks and five strikeouts - including his final four batters.

Zack Wheeler (0-1) threw a 97 mph fastball but never dominated, although he mostly pitched himself out of trouble. He gave up three runs and seven hits in six innings, and the Nationals broke open the game with a four-run seventh against relievers Scott Rice and Jeurys Familia that included a two-run single by Adam LaRoche off the glove of first baseman Lucas Duda. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Cardinals weather rain delay to beat Reds

Tucker Barnhart, No. 16 of the Cincinnati Reds, tags out Matt Carpenter, No. 13 of the St. Louis Cardinals, on a play at home plate in the third inning of the game at Great American Ball Park on April 3, 2014 in Cincinnati, Ohio. The first pitch was delayed 3 hours, 42 minutes because of rain. The Cardinals beat the Reds 7-6 and take two of three in their season-opening series. JOE ROBBINS/GETTY IMAGES



MLSE president Tim Leiweke expects to see point guard Kyle Lowry back on the court when the Raptors start the playoffs. FRANCIS WALLACE/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Lowry stubborn in the face of pain

NBA. MLSE president Leiweke marvels at Toronto point guard's healing power

There's not much that will stop Raptors guard Kyle Lowry from playing. Even doctors' orders, it seems.

In an interview with CBC's George Stroumbouloupoulos, Tim Leiweke told of Lowry's doggedness in Toronto's 119-118 double-overtime loss to Oklahoma City on March 21.

"Kyle has been carrying the whole burden for us all year," says Leiweke, president and CEO of Maple Leaf Sports & Entertainment. "He's wearing out. Just aches and pains and finally at the end of the game we're up, and they tell him: 'That's it. You're shut down.' And they take him back to the training table and the doctor said, 'You're done. You're finished. You're done for the night. And you're done for a couple of games here ... you gotta rest.' And then Okla-

Back in post-season

The Raptors have clinched a playoff spot for the first time in six seasons, while the Toronto Maple Leafs are battling to make the post-season but their fate isn't solely in their hands.

homa does their little run at the end and all of a sudden the doctor looks around and Kyle's gone.

"He's literally darted from the training room without telling the doctors, goes back on, looks at the coach and says 'I'm in,' walks back into the game, checks himself into the game. The coach knew it, the coach was like, 'Go.' And we go to two overtimes with Oklahoma. They had to sit down with him after the game finally and just say, 'Kyle, this is it. You're done. You gotta take a couple games off.'"

Lowry scored 25 points in his 46 minutes that night.

The point guard sat out Wednesday's 107-103 victory

over the Houston Rockets with a sore knee, the product of a hard knee-on-knee collision with Heat star LeBron James in Toronto's loss at Miami two nights earlier.

The Raptors have to hope the ailing guard shows the same remarkable healing powers as he did after that Oklahoma City game last month.

"(Raptors GM) Masai (Ujiri) gets a call the next day," Leiweke told Stroumbouloupoulos. "Our athletic trainer who's phenomenal, says, 'You won't believe this. I've never seen anything like it. I'm telling you, whatever was going on with him the swelling's gone, he's 100 per cent.' And this was a guy who was saying we gotta do an intervention to keep him out. He told Masai he's ready to go."

Stroumbouloupoulos replied: "I don't believe in miracles. That sounds suspicious. What's going on?"

"Yeah, well, if there was some secret potion we had, believe me, I'd put it in the Leafs dressing room, too," Leiweke answered. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Randle heading home for Final Four match

Kentucky forward Julius Randle has helped Big Blue Nation reach Big D, and along the way given his mother at least one more chance to see her big boy play a college game.

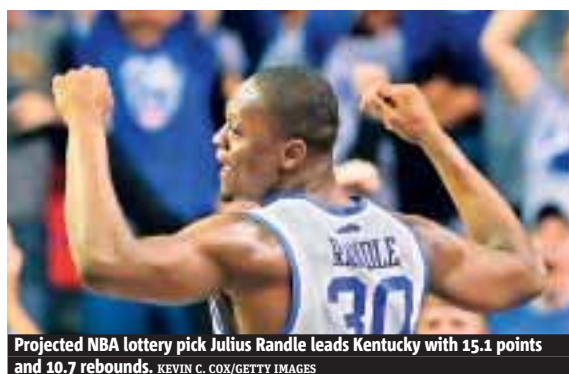
Carolyn Kyles was in Indianapolis last weekend when things were looking dire for the Wildcats. They were trailing in the second half against Michigan, and Kyles looked at her watch and realized that she would have to leave early in order to catch a flight home to Dallas.

So she packed up her belongings and tearfully hit the road, unsure of whether Randle's career would end without her. The six-foot-nine freshman is expected to be a lottery pick in the June draft.

"I knew she was going to have to leave," Randle said upon reflection, "so I just wanted to make sure I won so I could see her again."

It all worked out quite well.

Kyles made it back to the Dallas area in time to report to



Projected NBA lottery pick Julius Randle leads Kentucky with 15.1 points and 10.7 rebounds. KEVIN C. COX/GETTY IMAGES

her accounting job that Monday, and Randle helped usher the Wildcats to heart-stopping 75-72 win over the Wolverines.

Now, Randle and the Wildcats are set to face Wisconsin in the national semifinals on Saturday night. The game will be played at AT&T Stadium, an easy trip down the interstate from the Dallas-area neighbourhood where he grew up.

"I just wanted to make sure I

did whatever I could to get back there," said Randle, who has averaged a team-leading 15.1 points and 10.7 rebounds for the Wildcats.

"It's just added motivation that it's in Dallas," he said, "but any kid wants to play in the Final Four. I don't care if it's on the moon. You want to play in the Final Four. But for it to be in my hometown, it's special as well." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Friday's Metro AR poll



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With the Bruins paying the Maple Leafs a visit Thursday night, we couldn't help but think of the Buds' Game 7 collapse in their playoff series last year. You know, the game in which they held a 4-1 lead in the third period and ended up losing 5-4 in overtime. Scan the image above using your Metro News app to vote on the most epic collapse in sports history.

Metro AR poll results

58% Metro News readers voted Bobby Baun's performance on a broken leg and scoring the 1964 Stanley Cup-clinching goal for the Maple Leafs as the most courageous "playing hurt" moment in sports. The runners-up in the poll were:

21% Hayley Wickenheiser playing with a broken foot

13% Michael Jordan's flu game

4% Willis Reed playing through a torn thigh muscle

4% Curt Schilling and his bloody sock



Bobby Baun
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Today

13°/-1°
Rain
90%

Saturday

3°/-3°
Rain and snow
40%

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Warm with a 100% chance of crunchy.

Horoscopes

♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

You seem to be feeling a bit vulnerable but there really is no need. What happens over the next few days will lift your spirits and also remind you that, even when things do go a little bit wrong, it's not the end of the world.

♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

You may be tempted to hit back at someone who has been spreading gossip about you, but is it worth it? If you say something rude they will see they have managed to get under your skin.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

You have taken on a lot of new responsibilities but is that wise? You may think you can handle the extra work with ease but the planets warn it will, sooner or later, get too much. It should be about quality work, not quantity.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

You must make an effort to finish what you have started, because if you fall behind any further it may be impossible for you to catch up. Close your eyes and ears to distractions and focus on the one thing you really must get done.

♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

If there is something important that needs to be done over the next two days, get on with it and ignore those who say you're not up to the task. They have no idea what you are capable of. They will soon find out though!

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

A relationship that has caused you a few sleepless nights will start to improve over the weekend but don't think that means you no longer have to work at it. According to the planets, this may be the last chance you'll get.

♎ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

There is really no need to cut back on essentials or make major sacrifices, no matter what some people might say. It may seem as if there is no way out of your financial dilemma but there is always a way, so stay calm and think logically.

♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

You are doing too many things for too many people and need to slow down a bit. If you carry on trying to do it all you are sure to burn yourself out, physically and emotionally, so stop catering to their every whim and fancy.

♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

Don't let people play on your feelings and get you to do things you might not choose to do if you were thinking logically. Get tough and let them know you are no longer prepared to play this game.

♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Why is it that some people seem to enjoy making life so complicated? Whatever the reason you don't have to follow their example, so keep things simple today and don't go searching for complicated answers to what are such straightforward questions.

♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

A light-hearted attitude will take you a long way today. The planets suggest if you take nothing too seriously then nothing too serious will go wrong. In the greater scheme of things, it all comes right in the end.

♓ Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

You will find it easy to see the good in other people today — and they in turn will realize what a special friend they have in you. You can't love the whole world, of course, but the world has a special place in its heart for you.

SALLY BROMPTON

Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku

3	7	6	4	9	5	2	1	8
1	2	9	7	8	6	3	4	5
4	5	5	2	1	3	6	9	7
7	1	3	8	6	4	5	2	9
8	9	2	5	3	7	4	6	1
5	6	4	9	2	1	7	8	3
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9	3	7	1	4	2	8	5	6

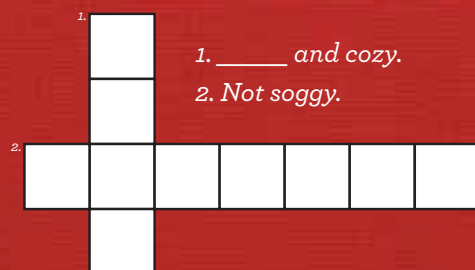
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See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.
BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN

BONUS CROSSWORD



Crossword: Canada Across and Down

Across

1. Stairway segment
5. Business days, acronymially
10. Space mission org.
14. Fit
15. Lunch order, ___ of soup
16. Viewed
17. Fitting-here flower
18. "Shout" by The ___ Brothers
19. Marijuana
20. Purchases from #57-Across: 2 wds.
23. Ranch animal
24. Did this rather than use the doorbell
28. Dish of noodles
32. ___ Ray (Aquatic creature)
33. Title in Turkey, variantly
36. Ian & Sylvia song that starts "There's a young man that I know...": 2 wds.
39. Cleanser
41. Conrad Black's journalist wife, Barbara ___
42. Couples
43. The ___, Toronto band of 'We Still Move on Dance Floors'
46. Tavern drink
47. 'Commend' suffix (Praising)
48. "The Simpsons" daughter, and name-sakes
50. Ancient Rome: Wisdom goddess



53. Melded
57. Type of place that sells fertilizer, hoses, flowers, and more: 2 wds.
61. 'Yukon's Best Kept Secret' town
64. George Gershwin co-composed tune: "Tee-___-Un-Bum-Bo"
65. Hairdo

66. Long-gone soldier's stat.
67. ___ donor
68. As soon as
69. Rip apart
70. Track events
71. Back

Down

1. Halifax Harbour sights

2. Futuristic card
3. Top rate
4. Annoy
5. Housekeeper
6. Cook's abbr.
7. Cookware company
8. Fix a bit
9. Hollywood legend
10. "Global National",

- for example
11. Captain's confirmation
12. Find out
13. + meaning
21. Epochs
22. Melissa Etheridge's "Come ___ Window"
25. 1965 Petula Clark hit: "I ___ Place"

26. ___ (Internet calculator, e.g.)
27. Stephen King book, ___ Macabre
29. Biblical land where Moses was buried
30. Single-named supermodel
31. "The Piano" (1993) star Sam
33. Type of tea from India
34. Notorious mobster, John ___ (b.1940 -d.2002)
35. Movie actor Mr. Eckhart
37. Grocery store dept.
38. Woeful word
40. 24-karat: 2 wds.
44. "___ Breckinridge" (1970)
45. Secure
49. Calgary-based energy company
51. Sound from the racetrack!
52. I' ___ (Dior perfume)
54. Building material
55. Ms. Durance, Calgary-born star of CTV's "Saving Hope"
56. Hold over
58. Cliff spot
59. ___ (Line above the equator)
60. 100 yrs. [pl.]
61. Way out
62. Wonderment
63. Bandmate to Keith

Yesterday's Crossword



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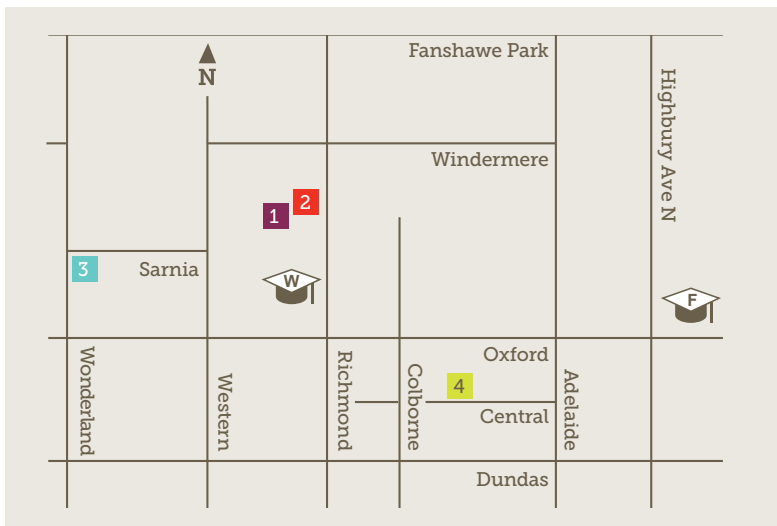


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